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VOTE SEPTEMBER 17

NEW DATE SET FOR ELECTION
IN OKLAHOMA.

ON NATIONAL ANNIVERSARY

Gives Governor Frantz Ten
Days to Issue Proclamation,
Which He Says He Will Do.

Guthrie, O. T. July 16.—The constitutional convention yesterday fixed September 17 as the date of election on the constitution and state officers, nullifying the former date, August 6. This will bring the Oklahoma election on the anniversary of the adoption of the constitution of the United States. The new election adopted today gives Governor Frantz ten days after the adoption of the ordinance in which to issue an election proclamation.

By a resolution adopted yesterday afternoon the constitution and all ordinances, including the election ordinance, is to be filed with Secretary Charles Filson by July 25. The original parchment copy of the constitution and the original of the election ordinance are to be filed to comply with the requirements of Governor Frantz. Governor Frantz stated today that if these documents are filed as the convention has agreed he will issue an election proclamation.

The convention finished the reading of the constitution as amended last night and this morning adjourned, after each delegate had fixed his signature. Re-signing of constitution is made necessary by amendments and eliminations made during the present session. The convention did not adjourn sine die, but made it possible for President Murray to reconvene the convention at a date previous to September 17, the date of election, so that the election may be changed in case the election date should be tied up in the courts. No more changes will be made in the constitution.

No amendments were made to the legislative apportionment as reported Saturday and it was adopted by a vote of 65 to 5, five Republicans (Harris, Hopkins, Hunson, Jenkins and Sater) voting against it. Republicans claim that gerrymandering is as bad if not worse than before changes were made giving nineteen and one-third senators to Republicans and twenty-four and two-thirds senators to Democrats and approximately forty-eight representatives to Republicans and sixty-one representatives to Democrats.

Delegates Hopkins and Slater, Republicans who refused to sign the original draft of the constitution, stated today that they will now sign the document.

ALL OPINIONS ON RECORD.
A motion was adopted that the majority and minority opinions of Oklahoma courts in election cases will be placed on records of the convention. Baker objected to placing anything

EXPLOSION KILLS SIX

Battle Ship Georgia Meets Disaster
While at Target Practice—Sixteen Are Injured.

Boston, July 16.—A wireless message received late yesterday afternoon said that six are dead and sixteen injured as a result of an explosion on the Georgia.

Washington, July 16.—Word has just reached the Navy department of an explosion on the battleship Georgia yesterday morning by which seventeen persons were injured, among them being Lieutenant Goodrich and Midshipmen Cruse and Goldthwaite. Cruse is dangerously injured. The accident occurred while the vessel was at target practice in Cape Cod Bay, Mass.

The department received its information from Rear Admiral Thomas, commanding the second division of the Atlantic fleet. The message was sent from aboard his flagship, the Virginia; at sea, and came by wireless telegraphy to Highland Light, Mass.

SENT BY WIRELESS.
The telegram was as follows:
Accident on Georgia at 10 o'clock, seventeen injured, eight seriously. Eight-inch charge ignited in the after superimposed turret. Lieutenant Goodrich and Midshipman Cruse and Goldthwaite injured; Cruse seriously. None dead yet. A board of investigation has been ordered. Will send the Georgia to the Boston navy yard at once for transfer of the injured to a hospital. Will wire the names of the injured immediately on receiving information.

LUMBER PRICES REDUCED AT KANSAS CITY
Following the 30 cent reduction in the price of cement, a reduction of \$2 for dimensions and \$5 for other kinds of lumber was announced yesterday. Builders look for another reduction soon.

"Prices were away too high," said a builder yesterday. "The retail dealers were taking all the profits and were encroaching more and more upon the narrow margin of the retailer. The increase in the use of steel and concrete has cut into the lumber trade and, seizing the opportunity, the cement dealers reduced the price of cement 30 cents a barrel. The lumber dealers were forced to meet the cut and it would not be surprising to see a further reduction announced in the near future."—Kansas City Journal.

The Cherokee Club will give one of their popular dances at the club rooms tonight.

but the majority opinion on the records, declaring that the convention was right all along.

STEVE ELKINS TALKS

Says Cortelyou Will Win the Nomination for President Through the New York Delegation.

Washington, July 16.—Senator Stephen B. Elkins of West Virginia, chairman of the state committee on interstate commerce, who fought President Roosevelt's railroad legislative policy talked lightly on the presidential booms of Taft, Knox, Foraker, Cannon and Vice President Fairbanks yesterday and practically announced his favoritism for the secretary of the treasury, George B. Cortelyou, directing attention to the prospective situation whereby Cortelyou probably will go into the convention of 1908 with the seventy-eight delegates from New York supporting him. Mr. Elkins decided partially for Cortelyou may mean that Cortelyou has been agreed upon as the candidate of the combined railroads, and this organization includes E. H. Harriman among its leaders. And the Elkins statement is important also because of its publicity right on the heels of a statement by Representative Jesse Overstreet of Vice President Fairbank's own state, that Cortelyou is the man to lead the party in the next presidential campaign.

PRISONERS ESCAPE

Four Negroes Crawl Through Coal Chute at Muskogee Jail Monday Night.

Muskogee, I. T. July 16.—Crawling through a coal chute of the United States, four prisoners escaped here Monday night at 9:30 o'clock. Passers by saw them come out and warned the jailer, but not until the men had got away.

Herbert Kidd and Tom Southern, two of the escaped prisoners, are charged with murder. Will Green and J. Napoleon are charged with introducing liquor. All are negroes.

Two of the men had shackles on, but no chains. Bloodhounds were placed on the trail.

LIVE STOCK MARKET

Special to The Chieftain.

Kansas City Stock Yards, July 15.—A total of 20,000 cattle, including 1500 calves, arrived in the quarantine division here last week, and in spite of this heavy supply, prices on steers advanced 15 to 25 cents for the week, cows sold 10 to 20 cents higher, and veals 50 to 75 cents higher. Fed steers reached \$5.50, grass steers sold mainly at \$4.25 to \$5.00, cows \$3.00 to \$3.85, veal calves \$5.50 to \$7.00. The supply today is fairly good, at 250 car loads, which is 100 cars less than arrived on Monday of last week, market 10 to 15 lower today on steers, cows and calves steady to strong, top steers today \$5.00. Since the settlement of the cow question with the packers, receipts of the stuff have not increased as expected, and as the demand now includes the wants of all the packers there is hardly enough cows and heifers to go around. Buyers anticipated a heavy run of the stuff, and were prepared to break prices, but receipts so far have been insufficient in both native and quarantine divisions. Supplies of grass cattle from native territory have been small so far, and the big movement from Kansas pastures will not start before August, while Colorado and the west will not be shipping much before September 1st.

With the exception of Friday, hog markets last week tended downward net decline 13 cents for the week. Supply is 6000 today, market 5 lower, top \$5.90, bulk \$5.75 to \$5.85. Spread between lights and heavies is greater than a week ago, and tendency is toward still greater difference between them. Packers are putting meat away all the time, and receipts are liberal and likely to continue so, two facts favoring lower prices for the future.

The foundation for the new engine at the electric light plant with which to run its dynamos for the day circuit is finished and Mr. Lahman expects the dynamo some time during the latter part of the month. Mr. Lahman expects to secure enough business for the day circuit to keep the service going both summer and winter.

A. L. Churchill is attending the bankers convention at Muskogee today.

INTEREST INCREASES

With Each Succeeding Number on the Chautauqua Program the Audiences Grow Larger.

The numbers on the program for tonight at the Chautauqua should, and doubtless will, attract unusually large audiences. The program follows:

FOR TONIGHT
8:00 o'clock—Chautauqua Orchestra
8:30 "—Life Portrayal from Dickens (in costume)—William Sterling Battis.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON
2:00 o'clock—Chautauqua Orchestra
2:15 "—Vocal Solo—Mrs. Gaylord N. Bebout.

WEDNESDAY—EVENING
8:00 o'clock—Chautauqua Orchestra
8:15 "—Vocal Solo—Miss Mabel Gunter.

8:30 o'clock—The American Vitagraph; moving pictures—Children's night.

William Sterling Battis, who will lecture tonight, is one of the highest priced men on the Chautauqua program, and good authorities say he is the best exponent of Dickens on the American platform.

Wednesday night will be "moving picture night," and it is predicted that this will be one of the biggest nights of the entire session.

Congressman Landis will be here Thursday to deliver his celebrated lecture, "The Message of an Optimist." This lecture promises to be one of the most brilliant efforts of the Chautauqua this year. The lecture is strictly non-political, being only the expressed views of an American on American things of common interest.

Yesterday was the biggest day of the Chautauqua, so far. The town was full of people, and the big tent held an audience of 1,300 when Bryan arose to deliver his lecture. And none were disappointed or dissatisfied. Bryan never disappoints his audience—never fails to interest his hearers. He has the faculty of satisfying all alike. His language is simple, chaste in diction, and is pregnant with meaning. His words move people to thought and action. The ladies quartette sang to a large and delighted audience in the afternoon and were heartily encored. This quartette also sang a prelude to the talk of Mrs. Pickett in the evening. This lady had a fair sized audience that appreciated the address she made.

The heavy and of the program is yet to come and the interest and attendance is expected to continue to increase until the close of the session.

MUCH PRAISE DUE THIS YOUNG INDIAN BOY

Judge Gill was somewhat surprised when he received, a few days ago, a letter from Ed. Martin, a Cherokee boy who has some valuable oil wells on his allotment, requesting that the Judge order the boy's guardian to allow his mother a certain amount each month to assist in her maintenance. The boy stated that he was receiving as high as \$700 a month royalty from his oil and gas lease, and believed it was his duty to ask the court to allow him to assist his mother.

Though out of the ordinary, Judge Gill was so impressed with the evident kindness of the boy toward his aged mother, who is in very moderate circumstances, issued an order permitting the guardian to allow the boy's mother \$10 each month.

The young man is preparing himself for a thorough college course, and The Chieftain joins Judge Gill in predicting a successful career for young Martin.

OPENED A NEGRO TOWN; WHITES ARE BARRED

Sapulpa, I. T. July 16.—Forty acres of land are being platted a mile east of this city and will soon be put on sale to negroes only. The vast number of negroes in the territory has a tendency to keep a feeling of strife afloat and it is thought if ground was furnished a negro town could be opened.

The most prominent negroes of the city are taking kindly to the move. The sight for the negro town is close to the site of the first oil wells of the oil field and is a splendid location for a town.

PRaised BY BRYAN

The Noted Nebraskan Says That the Proposed Oklahoma Constitution Is a Good One.

Tulsa, I. T. July 16.—At a banquet at the Brady hotel, William J. Bryan praised the proposed constitution of Oklahoma. He expressed himself as confident that it is acceptable to all the people in its amended form and will be endorsed by them in the coming election and approved by the President.

"Your constitution, drafted with the good and evil of every other state constitution to guide by, is superior to all other state constitutions, as the American constitution is to that of any other country in the world."

"What would you think of President Murray of the constitutional convention as a running mate?" was asked.

"I don't care to express myself on

CORNFED CATTLE \$7

Highest Price Paid for Fat Cattle on Omaha Market in Five Years.

South Omaha, Neb., July 16.—For the first time since 1902 live stock on the local market reached \$7 per hundred yesterday. This was for cornfed cattle.

The first run of cattle from the great western cattle ranges are beginning to arrive. They brought the highest prices in years for that class of stock.

that subject," was the reply. "However, Mr. Murray is a good man."

Mr. Bryan is booked for Chautauqua lectures until September 5, after which he will make a few speeches in the campaign in the new state which will end September 16.

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